

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system for facilitating message notification for an electronic
5 communications device. The system includes a first mechanism that organizes, by
individual user, individual messages received by the electronic communications
device and provides a signal in response thereto. A second mechanism allows the
individual users to visually distinguish their received messages based on the signal.
In a specific embodiment, the second mechanism includes a display for displaying
10 contents of the individual messages in various visually distinguishable formats
corresponding to various individual users. An additional mechanism converts the
individual messages into text messages and scrolls the text messages via text that
differs by color or font for each of the various individual users. Alternatively, the
display shows contents of the individual messages in various message-notification
15 bands that differ based on intended recipients of the individual messages. The bands
differ by color or graphic pattern for messages intended for different users.